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1. CONTACT HAS BEEN RE-ESTABLISHED WITH AMMUG-1 BY WH/MIAMI. HE AND FAMILY IN GOOD HEALTH, HAS NO PRESSING ECONOMIC PROBLEMS AND TO DATE HAS HAD NO POLITICAL INCIDENTS.

2. DEBRIEFING OF AMMUG-1 ON JOSE (VAZQUEZ) BLANCO RESULTED IN FOLLOWING:

A. VAZQUEZ WAS FIRST KNOWN TO HIM CIRCA 1958, WHEN BOTH INCARCERATED IN PRINCIPE PRISON IN HAVANA FOR REVOLUTIONARY ACTIVITIES AGAINST BATISTA. BY MID 1959, BOTH WERE SERVING IN DEPARTAMENTO DE INVESTIGACIONES OF NATIONAL POLICE. AMMUG-1 DID NOT SEE VAZQUEZ AFTER THAT PERIOD, BUT LEARNED THAT HE HAD TRANSFERRED TO MINREX AND ULTIMELY TO DGI.

B. BY END OF 1959 OR MID 1960, VAZQUEZ HAD BECOME JEFE DE CENTRO (CHIEF OF STATION) FOR DGI IN MIAMI. COVER WAS CONSUL AT CUBAN CONSULATE MIAMI. DURING THIS PERIOD, RUMORS CIRCULATED AMONG DGI OFFICERS IN HAVANA THAT VAZQUEZ HAD RETURNED TO HAVANA TO CONSULT WITH FIDEL CASTRO, RAMIRO VALDES,

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